

January 19, 2005

800 MHz Transition Administrator
c/o Robert B. Kelly
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RE: ESMR Elections

Dear Mr. Kelly

Western Communications, Inc. would like to move our 800 MHz.
Economic Area licenses to the new ESMR portion of the 800 Mhz. spectrum.
The call signs we would like to move to the ESMR frequencies are:

BEA 114

1.WPSA462

BEA 115

1. WPRQ899
2. WPRQ898
3. WPSA459
4. WPSA461

BEA 116

1. WPSA457
2. WPSA460

BEA 143

1. WPSA458

Western Communications, Inc., which has been operating analog SMR systems in the area for many years, is not yet operating a "high density" system, as defined in the Commission's recently adopted rules. However, Western's construction deadline with regard to its EA authorizations has not yet passed, and Western is presently in the planning process for its conversion of its system to cellularized system, which will include high density sites. In this regard, Western is already purchasing cellular switch service from Airtel Wireless, who is an ESMR operator, and Western is continuing with its planning for its own build-out.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Respectfully,

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